r>**Title:** Made references to the passing away of Shri Vijayasinhrao Ramrao Dafle member, Third Lok Sabha on 12th July,1998.

MR. SPEAKER: Hon'ble Members, I have to inform the House of the sad demise of one of our former colleagues, Shri Vijayasinhrao Ramrao Dafle.

Shri Vijayasinhrao Ramrao Dafle was a Member of the Third Lok Sabha representing the erstwhile Miraj Parliamentary Constituency of Maharashtra during 1962-67.

Earlier, he was a Member of the erstwhile Bombay Legislative Assembly during 1952-62.

An agriculturist by profession, Shri Dafle was a well-known active social and political worker. He worked for imparting free primary and secondary education and almost free medical aid to the people of his State and donated liberally towards several charitable and social institutions in the country.

A courageous man as he was, Shri Dafle joined `Navdal' Army and participated in the Second World War during 1944. He was awarded a honorary rank of Lieutenant-Commander in the Indian Navy as a mark of appreciation of his services to the Armed Forces of India.

Shri Vijayasinhrao Ramrao Dafle passed away on 12th July, 1998 at Sangli, Maharashtra at the age of 89.

We deeply mourn the loss of this friend and I am sure the House will join me in conveying our condolences to the bereaved family.

The House may now stand in silence for a short while as a mark of respect to the memory of the departed soul.

(The Members then stood in silence for a short while.)